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THE SITUATION.

The New York *Herald* has rarely had anything more absurd in its columns than the Washington dispatch of September 8th, in which a correspondent affects to state what the President and Cabinet intend to do about Hawaii. The writer begins by saying that the Government has put an embargo upon Hawaiian matters and then proceeds to tell what was done at a secret Cabinet meeting at which such matters were presumed to have been discussed. If the correspondent is to be trusted, Mr. Cleveland and his advisers decided to transcend their constitutional powers, violate international rules, and make fools of themselves generally.

The plan outlined by the American Government, according to the *Herald* text, is to establish a protectorate and have an election held here to determine a permanent form of Government, after which the regime so founded will be defended against domestic insurrection. It is implied that all this will be done whether the Provisional Government likes it or not, and without consulting the American Congress. That view is taken by a local Royalist organ, which says that "the decision" will restore to the Hawaiian people a voice in their own destiny.

It requires a great imbecile to write such a despatch and a greater imbecile to take stock in it. The United States Government has been asked to accept a treaty of annexation at the hands of a Government whose independence it has clearly and repeatedly recognized. Should it decline to make the treaty, then matters would come to a standstill to await the further pleasure of the Provisional Government. At the same time Mr. Gresham might intimate that if the local authorities would hold an election and form a republic the United States would protect it—providing the Senate agreed—in return for Pearl Harbor privileges. But it is as sure as daylight that America would demand nothing except that the lives and property of its citizens here should be respected.

What then? Obviously the Provisional Government would have two alternatives. It could wait until a Republican President returned to the White House and then try annexation again; or it could pass a law restricting the suffrage to those who can read and write the English language and to those who have a certain property interest on the Islands. In the latter event a suitable republic might follow and the protectorate might ensue—a form of government and American control, by the way, that could be set aside for complete annexation so soon as our friends had returned to power at Washington.

Whatever the *Herald* may say and the Royalists imagine, the United States Government will proceed on constitutional lines in all its dealings. As Mr. Bennett's correspondent inadvertently says it "does not wish to interfere with the internal affairs of the Islands." If Mr. Cleveland has any new plan regarding us it will be put in the form of a treaty which both the United States Senate and the Legislature of the Provisional Government must ratify before it can go into effect.

If the Royalists, who have been so eager for restoration, can find any real comfort in this state of things they are of a class to be pleased with a stone when they had asked for bread.

BOMBASTES FURIOSO.

It is evident that Claus Spreckels is himself again. With that curious mixture of conceit, ignorance and bombast which enters into the man, he comes out and says that he is going to Washington to defeat annexation; that if annexation ever becomes necessary he can "deliver the Islands at any time," and that he has "given away a few millions" in Hawaii and had done as much before, and "still has millions left." It is a pity indeed that some exquisite satirist like Ambrose Bierce does not apply himself to this ridiculous old person who boasts so much and achieves so little in Hawaiian politics, putting him into some enduring form of literature to increase the harmless gaiety of nations. Spreckels would live in the pages of Bierce as a sort of Brummagen Fallstaff, boastful as the knight of the buckram nine, "unlettered

as the backside of a tombstone," bombastic and impracticable as Don Quixote or Colonel Sellers, and as little feared by the enemies before whom he brandishes his hacked and rusty sword as a scarecrow in a cornfield would be by a flock of eagles overhead.

Going to Washington is he? Well, thank fortune! The best people of the Hawaiian Islands, whose cause is that of civilization, good morals and pure government can ask for nothing better than that. When the President and Cabinet and the Senate and House come to size the old man up we shall begin to get good news about annexation. As the head and front of the Royalist movement; as the intriguing agent of the sugar trust; as the blatant and egotistical old demagogue his praise would be a bane to any cause and his curses a reward of merit. By all means give him way and room at Washington. We need him there.

MORE OF THAT "SPECIAL CARE."

We recur to the New York *Sun*'s study of Charles Nordhoff's mental condition with fresh evidence that Mr. Dana's first diagnosis was correct. Mr. Nordhoff is assuredly crazy.

In one of his late Coronado letters, to the *Herald* the poor old man raised a hue and cry because the "missionaries' children" turned the Portuguese off the Hilea sugar plantation and the Hutchinson properties at Naalehu—estates since consolidated under the name of the Hutchinson Sugar Plantation Company—and put the Japanese in their places.

The truth requires us to say that the plantation upon which this change was made was controlled at the time by Mr. Nordhoff's political mentor, not to say employer, Claus Spreckels; and that the latter was alone responsible for the outrage. These facts are notorious. Yes, indeed, the Coronado commentator must have eaten of the insane root which grows over the Mexican line in the neighborhood of his son's ranch. On no other theory than that of a mental break up can we charitably account for his strange and reckless perversions of the truth.

The new *Holomua* has abandoned its native page, leaving the aborigines somewhat in the lurch, and appears as an "English" daily paper. By English, we presume it means British. Under the new management the *Holomua* is a trifle more decent in tone than was its defunct predecessor and may carry a better name with it to the grave.

If the new Consul-General is received by the Provisional Government it will be out of respect to Colonel Blount.

The gods may not have ground Mills slowly, but they ground him exceeding small.

THE HAWAIIAN QUESTION.

Dispatches from Washington, in addition to announcing the appointment of A. S. Willis of Kentucky as Minister to Hawaii, assert that it will be the policy of the Cleveland administration to create a protectorate, mild in its terms as to internal affairs but very rigid against outside interference, and that the United States will guarantee any permanent government established by the vote of the people of Hawaii against overthrow by revolution.

Herein we may trace the fine hand of that combination seemingly so dear to President Cleveland—the sugar ring. Matters having been held in abeyance long enough to permit the sugar magnates to complete its combinations, the administration now announces its purpose of preserving the status and of maintaining a protectorate over the Hawaiian Islands which shall prevent the people of that nation from offering the sovereignty of the Islands to any foreign nation.

It will be in vain to search the constitution of the United States for any warrant, express or implied, for the establishment of a protectorate, mild or otherwise, over a foreign jurisdiction. If, as in the case of Texas, an independent nation wishes to link her fate with ours, and to surrender her sovereignty in order to become an integral part of the American republic, well and good, but when the United States undertakes to assume the role of guardian and protector for a foreign nation, that is clearly a very different question.

If Hawaii wants to cede itself to the United States, we may accept the offer or decline it, as seems the more expedient for us, but the creation of a protectorate is quite another matter. Against whom are the people of Hawaii to be protected? Not against the nations of Europe, for no one of them really wants Hawaii. Are they, then, to be protected against themselves? and if so, what becomes of the right of revolution?

Unless we accept Hawaii's offer of annexation, we have no business to mix or meddle in her politics, and that is the conclusion which Mr. Cleveland would have reached had he been let alone by the sugar ring. Possibly he does not understand the situation, though it is plain enough for any one to see, but if he does understand it he must be set down as catering to the interests of one of the greatest and most grasping monopolies in the United States.—*Chronicle*.

THE "SUNS" BRIGHT FLASHES.

Good Articles on the Hawaiian Question From a Great Paper.

The following articles are quoted from the editorial page of the New York *Sun*:

THE DREAM OF TWO BOSOM FRIENDS.

The *Herald* will have no mercy on Mr. Charles Nordhoff. It continues to exhibit him long after the exhibition has become painful to his friends, however interesting to alienists.

The principal grievance of this deluded old man now seems to be that many of the men of wealth, distinction and influence in the Sandwich Islands are sons of missionaries. Mr. Nordhoff's deepest term of contempt is "missionary children." He seems to conceive that there is even a darker shade of criminality in being a missionary's child than in being a missionary; and thus the crime of civilization is cumulative.

The "missionary children" are awful criminals, from the Spreckels Nordhoff point of view. They are the representatives of intelligence, of civilization, of progress. If their parents and grandparents had never gone to Hawaii, the opportunities of semi-savage despotism would be much greater than they now are.

The missionaries carried civilization, and Mr. Nordhoff and his patron, the Hon. Claus Spreckels, are not in favor of civilization. They want royalty and Spectacles.

The climate of the Hawaiian Islands is delightful, and a good many Americans go there to enjoy it, or for their health. We have not a doubt that tens of thousands of Americans would visit the lovely Islands every year if the American flag floated over them and American freedom was firmly established in them, and American law was the law of their existence.

HAWAII.

The arrangements for the annexation of Hawaii should now be brought to completion with the least possible delay. As has been stated in our Washington dispatches, Minister Blount held a conference with Secretary Gresham as soon as he arrived in Washington on Tuesday, and presented to the Secretary his official report upon Hawaiian affairs, and upon his proceedings there, first as special Commissioner of the United States, and subsequently as American Minister. He declined to give our correspondent any information concerning his verbal conference or his written report, and very properly referred all inquiries to the Secretary of State.

Secretary Gresham has doubtless, by this time, put the Minister's report into the hands of President Cleveland, and communicated to the President such other information as he may have obtained from the Minister in conference. The documents and the facts in the case cannot long be withheld from the Senate, or from the knowledge of the country.

They must be of exceeding importance to the Government and of profound interest to the American people. They relate to a question that bears upon certain fundamental rights of our country, upon the authority of our Government, upon the security of the States lying along our westernmost coast, upon our naval influence in the waters that wash our Occidental shores, upon the development of our commerce with the countries of the Pacific and upon other public interests, the magnitude of which must increase from year to year, and from generation to generation. Great and vital and lasting are the American interests that are bound up in the Hawaiian question. Whatever be the decision of our Government upon it, that decision will surely be of serious consequence to the United States.

The day for the decision is at hand. Most of the facts of the case are already in the possession of those concerned, including the American people; and such documents as may have been laid before President Cleveland since Mr. Blount arrived in Washington cannot, if they are founded on intelligence, be contradictory of these facts.

What should be our policy in the case of Hawaii? What would be the policy of the great statesmen to whom we are indebted for our country's enlargement, enrichment, and power? What is the policy of prudence, or of command, or of expediency, or of the public advantage, or of the national safety, or of foresight and forethought, or of mastership, or of American interest, or of precedence? Beyond any doubt, it is the policy of annexation.

The opportunity is before us. It would be foolish to fail to take advantage of it. It would be hurtful. It would be dangerous. The time is opportune. The circumstances are all favorable. Hawaii sends her invitation; her Provisional Government awaits our acceptance of that invitation. President Cleveland has been made aware of the Hawaiian desire, which accords with that of American patriotism. Let not the Executive or the Senate be disregarding.

We have not at this time an American Minister at Honolulu. We ought not to be a day without a diplomatic representative there. In this critical period of the history of Hawaii we should have there a Minister of ability, sagacity and sound judgment: a man of American spirit.

FACTS PLAINLY STATED.

The Queen of Hawaii cannot be restored to power.

The Provisional Government cannot be overthrown by her partisans, or by intrigue, or by Spreckels, or by dynamite, or by Nordhoff, or by unpatriotic American newspapers.

The peace must be maintained in Hawaii. The apprehension that some disturbance may be stirred up there is exceedingly injurious to the interests of the people.

The American Government should not sustain a policy under which it may

be necessary for Admiral Skerrett to interfere for the preservation of order in Hawaii.

The only way in which the peace of Hawaii can be permanently established, and the best welfare of all its people promoted, is by its annexation to the United States.

It cannot be believed that barriers against annexation will be successfully raised by any part of the American people.

BY AUTHORITY.

\$50 Reward.

A reward of Fifty Dollars will be paid for evidence that will insure the conviction of the person or persons who started the fire in Panoa Valley on Saturday morning last.

J. A. KING,
Minister of the Interior,
Interior Office, Sept. 18, 1893. 148-11

SEALED TENDERS.

Sealed Tenders will be received at office of the Minister of the Interior till 12 o'clock noon on WEDNESDAY, September 20th, 1893, for lumber for construction of new wharves, Honolulu. Specifications can be seen at the office of Superintendent of Public Works. All Tenders must be endorsed "Tender for Lumber."

The Minister of the Interior does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any bid.

J. A. KING,
Minister of the Interior,
Interior Office, Sept. 14th, 1893. 146-31

The time for receiving the above Tenders has been extended until WEDNESDAY, November 1st, 1893, at the same hour and place.

J. A. KING,
Minister of the Interior,
147-41

SEALED TENDERS.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the Interior Office until TUESDAY, October 31st, at 12 o'clock noon, for furnishing supplies of Steam coal for all Government purposes, to be delivered in quantities as required, between November 1st and March 31st, 1894.

Information as to probable requirements will be furnished upon application to the Office of the Superintendent of Public Works. Coal to be subject to the inspection and approval of the Superintendent of Public Works.

All Tenders must be endorsed "Tender for Coal."

The Minister of the Interior does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any bid.

J. A. KING,
Minister of the Interior,
Interior Office, Sept. 16, 1893. 147-31

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL,
Honolulu, Sept. 15th, 1893.

Notice is hereby given that the following named persons have this day been appointed members of the BOARD OF PRISON INSPECTORS, namely:

J. A. KENNEDY Esquire,
J. A. MAGOON Esquire,
C. P. LAUKEA Esquire.

WILLIAM O. SMITH,
(Approved) Attorney-General.
F. M. HATCH, Acting Minister Foreign Affairs.

J. A. KING, Minister Interior.
S. M. DAMON, Minister Finance.
147-31

TENDERS FOR DRUGS AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH,
Honolulu, Sept. 13th, 1893.

Sealed Tenders will be received at this office until WEDNESDAY, September 27, 1893, at 12 o'clock noon, for supplying Drugs and Medical Supplies to all Government District Physicians, Hospitals and Dispensaries under control of the Board of Health for the term of one year from October 1st, 1893.

A list of the Drugs and Medical Supplies can be procured on application at this office. The articles to be furnished must be of the very best quality only, and should be up to the requirements of the Pharmacopoeia of the United States of America unless otherwise ordered.

The Board does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any bid.

WILLIAM O. SMITH,
President of the Board of Health.
145-61

IRRIGATION NOTICE.

Owing to the drought and scarcity of water, the irrigation hours are hereby suspended until further notice.

All persons disregarding the above notice are liable to have their privileges cut off without further notice.

ANDREW BROWN,
Superintendent Honolulu Water Works.
Honolulu, H. I., Aug 30, 1893. 133-1f

WATER NOTICE.

Owing to the drought and scarcity of water, the residents above Judd Street are requested to collect what water they may require for household purposes before 8 o'clock A.M.

ANDREW BROWN,
Supt. Honolulu Water Works.
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